

## Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Most of Colorado experienced warm, moist conditions last week. Rain showers were scattered across the state with most areas receiving above average precipitation. The moisture slightly increased topsoil and subsoil conditions from the previous week. Producers had an average of 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT							
	Very Short	Very Short   Short   Adequate   Surplus					
This Week	2	12	79	7			
Last Week	2	15	78	5			
Last Year	35	41	24	0			

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT							
	Very Short	Adequate	Surplus				
This Week	3	19	74	4			
Last Week	3	20	73	4			
Last Year	35	50	15	0			

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat was 65 percent headed last week with the crop rated in mostly good to excellent condition. Spring barley was 98 percent emerged by week's end. The crop was rated in mostly good to fair condition. Spring wheat was 85 percent at or beyond the emerged stage with the crop rated in mostly good condition.

Row Crops: Sorghum was 28 percent planted and sunflowers were 29 percent planted by week's end. Dry onions continue to be rated in mostly good condition. Summer potatoes were 82 percent planted and 44 percent emerged with the crop rated in mostly excellent to good condition. Fall potatoes were 90 percent planted and 8 percent emerged. Corn was at 96 percent planted with 56 percent emerged. The crop is rated in mostly good condition. Sugarbeets were at 68 percent up to stand by the end of the week and rated in mostly good condition.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT								
Week ending May 27, 2007								
	Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	Poor							
Winter Wheat								
This Week	1	5	18	52	24			
Last Year	23	31	32	14	0			
	Spring Barley							
This Week	0	4	27	44	25			
Last Year	0	6	27	52	15			
Spring Wheat								
This Week	0	4	28	44	24			
Last Year	0	3	40	41	16			

**Hay:** First cutting alfalfa was 20 percent complete by the end of the week. The crop is rated in mostly good to fair condition.

**Pasture and Range:** The weather conditions slightly improved pasture and range feed conditions. They were rated in mostly good to fair condition last week. This is well ahead of the previous year and the 5-year average.

**Livestock:** Death losses for cattle and sheep continued to be rated at average for the week. Livestock condition is rated in mostly good to excellent. Stored feed supplies are rated below average for this time of year.

## PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending May 27, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Pasture & Range	1	3	25	55	16		
Prev. Year	24	36	30	10	0		
5-Year Avg.	18	27	34	19	2		

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Development Ratings for Week Ending May 27, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Headed	65	40	76	71
Turning Color	0	0	3	1
Spring Barley				
Emerged	98	91	88	88
Spring Wheat				
Emerged	85	75	72	77
Corn				
Planted	96	83	90	93
Emerged	56	36	66	60
Sorghum				
Planted	28	23	34	35
Sunflowers				
Planted	29	18	27	18
Alfalfa				
1 <sup>st</sup> Cutting	20	10	18	19
Sugarbeets Up to Stand	68	48	62	72
Summer Potatoes	UO	40	02	1 4
Planted	82	77	75	85
Emerged	44	31	35	52
Fall Potatoes	ਜਜ	<i>3</i> 1	33	32
Planted	90	75	92	87
Emerged	8	1	4	13

COLORADO CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION RATINGS 1/							
Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Spring Barley	0	4	27	44	25		
Spring Wheat	0	4	28	44	24		
Winter Wheat	1	5	18	52	24		
Corn	0	1	2	84	13		
Alfalfa	0	3	27	49	21		
Summer Potatoes	0	1	9	40	50		
Sugarbeets	2	5	25	56	12		
Dry Onions	0	4	28	42	26		
Livestock	1	2	11	73	13		

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{1}$ / Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.

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